ment to the various posts in the News Service Division of AIR and Doordarshan is made as per the relevant rules. It is open to any individual to apply for being considered for appointment to such posts provided he satisfies the prescribed conditions of eligibility. The selection is made on the basis of the eligible persons being found suitable for the job by the competent authority.

Change in timings in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs

2849. SHRIMATI MANORAMA PANDEY: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a proposal to change the timings of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs is under consideration;

(b) whether it is also a fact that timings of the Ministry are not in accordance with the instructions of Government whereby timings of all the offices in one building are to be the same; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to change the timings of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs in accordance with the above norm?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) However, the matter regarding the change of timings of this Ministry has already been taken up with the Deptt. of Personnel and Training.

Malpractices in the Research Institute in Rajasthan

2850. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Union Minister of State who had visited the Reserach Institute area near Malpura in Rajasthan a few months back wrote about the happenings in that Institute in a letter to Union Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, if so, the details thereof *vis-a-vis* action taken thereon so far;

(b) whether reports of malpractices in that Institute had even earlier been brought to the notice of Government and an enquiry committee comprising Members of Parliament was constituted, if so, details thereof and the findings of the committee with action Government have taken so far;

(c) whether the senior officers of the Institute concerned despite such allegations were promoted and posted in ICAR headquarters, if so, the particulars thereof during the Sixth Five Year Plan period; and

(d) what further action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir. In his letter he referred *inter alia* to certain charges levelled against the officiating Director of the Central Sheep & Wool Research Institute by the Staff Association of the institute These charges are being inquired into.

(b) A Committee under the Chairmanship of late Shri Jyotirmoy Bosu, M.P., was constituted by the Governing Body of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research in May, 1979 to look into the high rate of mortality of sheep at the Central Sheep & Wool Research Institute, Avikanagar (near Malpura). The Bosu Committee's report alongwith reports of other Committees which went into the affairs of C.S.W.R.I., were considered by the Governing Body of the ICAR who found it difficult to assign specific responsibility for any deliberate negligence, on any particular officer.

A fact-finding inquiry however, was made into the following three specific items brought out in the report of the Bosu Committee:—

(i) Non-accounting of skins of 103 dead animals;

(ii) Death of 22 crossbreed rams after dipping in garrathion solution for treatment of mange; and

(iii) Treatment of sick animals.

As a result of the inquiry, disciplinary proceedings were initiated against four scientists for their administrative and technical lapses and appropriate action was taken against them.

(c) The then Director of the C.S. & W.R.I. Avikanagar was appointed at the ICAR headquarters in June, 1981 keeping in view all the circumstances of the case. The appointment was made subject to the disciplinary action that might become necessary in the light of the Inquiry Committee's findings.

(d) No further action is now called for as appropriate action has already been taken.

देश में चीनी मिलों द्वारा गन्नों की बकाया राशि का भुगतान

2851. **श्री सोहन लाल धूसिया :** क्या **खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश के बस्ती जिले में खलीलाबाद, मुंडेरवा, बस्ती गोविन्द नगर और बभनन स्थित चीनी मिलों की ओर गन्ना उत्पादकों की कितनी राशि बकाया है और यह राशि कब से बकाया है ;

(ख) क्या चीनी मिलों की ओर बकाया राशि पर किसानों को ब्याज मिलने की सभावना है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार यह सुनिश्चित करने का विचार रखती है कि मिल-मालिकों द्वारा किसानों को देय बकाया राशियों का मसला शीघ्र हल हो जाये ?

खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री (राव वीरेन्द्र सिंह) : (क) उत्तर प्रदेश की खलीलाबाद, मुंडेरवा, बस्ती और बभनान चीनी फैक्ट्रियों के बारे में 30-6-85 को गन्ने के भुगतान की स्थिति का ब्यौरा नीचे दिया जाता है :—

(आंकडे लाख रुपयो मे)

चीनी फैक्ट्री	1984–85 मौसम के लिए देय गन्ने का कुल मूल्य	गन्ने का अदा किया गया मूल्य	1984–85 मौसम के लिए शेष राशि	1983–84 और पिछले मौसमों के लिए बकाया राशि
खलीलाबाद	42.95	13.67	29.28	शून्य
मुंडेरवा	65.25	52.73	12.52	शून्य
बस्ती	106.96	106.96	शून्य	शून्य
बभनान	82.80	55.69	27.11	0.11